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REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 30-32 and 39 are currently pending in the present application. Applicants again thank the Examiner for her suggestions regarding the specification and claims. Accordingly, applicants submit herewith a supplemental amendment to the specification and claims incorporating the Examiner's suggestions.

Applicants respectfully note that paragraph 0103 was inadvertently entered into the original specification. One of Ordinary Skill in the Art would realize that said paragraph was not intended for the present application as the paragraph refers to breast cancer cells and inhibitors thereof, whereas the present application is directed to hemochromatosis. Therefore, applicants are deleting this paragraph and believe that this deletion does not constitute new matter.

Further, applicants have agreed with the Examiner that Figures 1-6 submitted on October 23, 2003 will not be entered. Therefore, applicants are deleting from the specification the section on "Brief Description of the Drawings" and other references to the figures.

Additionally, a replacement sequence listing, which includes SEQ ID Nos.: 1 through 26, is attached hereto in paper form, along with a Statement as required by 37 CFR 1.821 (e)-(g) and 1.825 (a)-(b). The computer readable form of the sequence listing will be

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hand-delivered on January 29, 2004.

Amended specification, claims and sequence listing have been submitted in the expectation that this application will be placed in condition for allowance. The amendments do not introduce new matter within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 132. Accordingly, entry of the amendments and sequence listing and an early allowance of the claims pending in this application are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is welcomed to telephone the undersigned attorney if she has any questions or comments.

Respectfully submitted,

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